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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: Kiran Challapali et al. Attorney Docket No: PHA-23,540  
SERIAL NO.: 09/196,574 EXAMINER: Richard J. Lee  
FILED: November 20, 1998 ART UNIT: 2621  
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VIDEO CONFERENCE

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 6, 2006, the Applicant hereby  
requests amendment of the above-identified application as follows: